



Nyan Cat Costume with EL Rainbow

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PARTS:

- [EL wire \(6\)](#)
[red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple](#)
- [Sequencer/battery pack \(1\)](#)
- [phone or mp3 player \(1\)](#)
- [Amplifier, mini, portable \(1\)](#)
- [plastic flexible beading thread \(1\)](#)
- [Tapestry needle \(1\)](#)
- [Hot Glue gun & hot glue \(1\)](#)
- [papier-mâché \(newspaper, flour, water\) \(1\)](#)
- [Sewing materials \(1\)](#)
[fabric - tan, pink, hot pink, gray, and black](#)
- [old T-shirt \(1\)](#)
- [pair of black pants \(1\)](#)

SUMMARY

Step 1 — Nyan Cat Costume with EL Rainbow



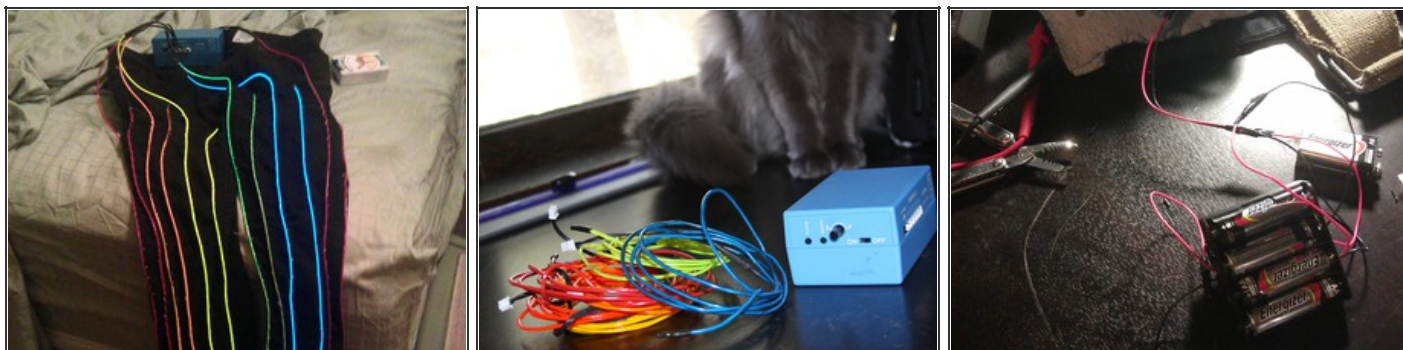
- Wrap a balloon in papier-mâché, let dry, and craft ears with rolled-up newspaper. Get a kitten to help you.
- Cut a hole for your melon to fit through and some eye holes in Nyan cat's mouth.
- Stuff the inside of the head with material or newspaper so your head fits securely/comfortably inside.

Step 2



- Sew a big tan rectangle for the pop tart, leaving holes for arms, head and the entire bottom portion open like a T-shirt.
- Sew a T-shirt or sweatshirt inside the pop tart, closing up around the arm and neck holes - this makes it so you can add stuffing to the shoulders.
- Add your frosting and sprinkles (felt) with hot glue. Easy.
- The head is made by stretching and hot-gluing felt over the papier-mâché.

Step 3



- Get some flexible beading thread. It's clear plastic and has some give so it won't hurt your EL as you move around. Whip-stitch it around the EL going all the way down the length of the pants.
- You can be a super cool maker and use an Arduino to create your sequencer. OR you can be a lazy, last-minute costume maker like me and buy a sequencer ready-made. :/
- The 9v battery ran out in about an hour, so I put together a pack of 6 AA batteries to replace it.

Step 4



- I hid a shuffle player and battery-powered speaker in the foot for maximum Nyan annoyance.

Step 5



- Dance!

Fun costume to make. Only a handful of people knew what I was, but it was a blast anyway.

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